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Regulatory Reform Legislation Passes the Florida House

Tallahassee, Fla. – CS/HB 5005 and CS/HB 5007, legislation that aims to deregulate and streamline business in the State of Florida today passed the Florida House of Representatives. The first measure, CS/HB 5005 deregulates certain professions and occupations, while the second bill, CS/HB 5007 reduces and streamlines current regulation.

"I thank Representative Hukill for her dedication to this important legislation," said House Speaker Dean Cannon (R-Winter Park). "While it is not the proper role of government to create jobs, it is important that government removes barriers that cripple a business' ability to grow and prosper. Too often, government regulation stifles job creation and slows the ability of the private sector to grow and expand. By removing unnecessary and often times duplicative regulations and burdens on the private sector, we are signaling to the nation and prospective business owners that Florida is open for business."

"I applaud my colleagues in the Florida House for passing this legislation that will serve to promote private sector growth in our economy and foster a more business-friendly environment while ensuring important consumer protections remain intact," said Representative Dorothy Hukill (R-Port Orange), chair of the House Economic Affairs Committee. "By reducing the burden of regulation and licensure on certain businesses and professions the private sector will see cost savings amounting to more than \$11 million. For many Florida businesses, these extra dollars will be used to grow and expand existing businesses and in other cases it will inspire entrepreneurs to open up shop in our state."

For more information on CS/HB 5005 and CS/HB 5007, please visit the <u>Florida House of</u> Representatives website.

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